

Good bases for tame polynomials

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Abstract

An algorithm to compute a good basis of the Brieskorn lattice of a cohomologically tame polynomial is described. This algorithm is based on the results of C. Sabbah and generalizes the algorithm by A. Douai for convenient Newton non-degenerate polynomials.

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Introduction

Let $f : \mathbb{C}^{n+1} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}$ with $n \geq 1$ be a cohomologically tame polynomial function [1]. This means that no modification of the topology of the fibres of f comes from infinity. In particular, the set of critical points $C(f)$ of f is finite. Then the reduced cohomology of the fibre $f^{-1}(t)$ for $t \notin C(f)$ is concentrated in dimension n and equals \mathbb{C}^μ where μ is the Milnor number of f . Moreover, the n -th cohomology of the fibres of f forms a local system H^n on $\mathbb{C} \setminus D(f)$ where $D(f) = f(C(f))$ is the discriminant of f . Hence, there is a monodromy action of the fundamental group $\Pi_1(\mathbb{C} \setminus D(f), t)$ on H_t^n .

The Gauss–Manin system M of f is a regular holonomic module over the Weyl algebra $\mathbb{C}[t]\langle \partial_t \rangle$ with associated local system H^n on $\mathbb{C} \setminus D(f)$. The Fourier transform $G := \widehat{M}$ of M is the $\mathbb{C}[\tau]\langle \partial_\tau \rangle$ -module defined by $\tau := \partial_t$ and

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$\partial_\tau = -t$. The monodromy T_∞ of M around $D(f)$ can be identified with the inverse of the monodromy \widehat{T}_0 of G at 0. It turns out that ∂_t is invertible on M and hence G is a $\mathbb{C}[\tau, \theta]$ -module where $\theta := \tau^{-1}$. A finite $\mathbb{C}[\tau]$ - resp. $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -submodule $L \subset G$ such that $L[\theta] = G$ resp. $L[\tau] = G$ is called a $\mathbb{C}[\tau]$ - resp. $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -lattice. The regularity of M at ∞ implies that G is singular at most in $\{0, \infty\}$ and where $0 := \{\tau = 0\}$ is regular and $\infty := \{\theta = 0\}$ of type 1. In particular, the V -filtration V_\bullet on G at 0 consists of $\mathbb{C}[\tau]$ -lattices.

The Brieskorn lattice $G_0 \subset G$ is a t -invariant $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -submodule of G such that $G = G_0[\tau]$. C. Sabbah [1] proved that G_0 is a free $\mathbb{C}[t]$ - and $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -module of rank μ . In particular, G is a free $\mathbb{C}[\tau, \theta]$ -module of rank μ . By definition, the spectrum of a $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -lattice $L \subset G$ is the spectrum of the induced V -filtration $V_\bullet(L/\theta L)$ and the spectrum of f is the spectrum of G_0 .

C. Sabbah [1] showed that there is a natural mixed Hodge structure on the moderate nearby cycles of G with Hodge filtration induced by G_0 . This leads to the existence of good bases of the Brieskorn lattice. For a basis $\underline{\phi} = \phi_1, \dots, \phi_\mu$ of a t -invariant $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -lattice,

$$t \circ \underline{\phi} = \underline{\phi} \circ (A^\phi + \theta^2 \partial_\theta)$$

where $A^\phi \in \mathbb{C}[\theta]^{\mu \times \mu}$. A $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -basis $\underline{\phi}$ of G_0 is called good if $A^\phi = A_0^\phi + \theta A_1^\phi$ where $A_0^\phi, A_1^\phi \in \mathbb{C}^{\mu \times \mu}$,

$$A_1^\phi = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \alpha_\mu \end{pmatrix}$$

and $\phi_i \in V_{\alpha_i} G_0$ for all $i \in [1, \mu]$. One can read off the monodromy $T_\infty = \widehat{T}_0^{-1}$ from A^ϕ immediately. The diagonal $\underline{\alpha} = \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_\mu$ is the spectrum of f and determines with $\text{gr}_1^V A_0$ the spectral pairs of f . The latter correspond to the Hodge numbers of the above mixed Hodge structure.

Analogous results to those above were first obtained in a local situation where $f : (\mathbb{C}^n, \underline{0}) \longrightarrow (\mathbb{C}, 0)$ is a holomorphic function germ with an isolated critical point [2,3,4,5,6,7]. In this situation, the role of the Fourier transform is played by microlocalization and the algorithms in [8,9] compute A_0 and A_1 for a good $\mathbb{C}\{\{\theta\}\}$ -basis of the (local) Brieskorn lattice. But [9] and [8, 7.4–5] do not apply to the global situation.

A. Douai [10] explained how to compute a good basis of G_0 if f is convenient and Newton non-degenerate using the equality of the V - and Newton filtration [11,1] and a division algorithm with respect to the Newton filtration [12,13].

The intention of this article is to describe an explicit algorithm to compute a good basis of G_0 for an arbitrary cohomologically tame polynomial f . This

algorithm is based on the following idea:

Let $\underline{x} = x_0, \dots, x_n$ be a coordinate system on \mathbb{C}^{n+1} . Then the Brieskorn lattice G_0 can be identified with the quotient

$$\mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta] \Big/ \sum_{i=0}^n (\partial_{x_i}(f) - \theta \partial_{x_i})(\mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta])$$

of non-finite $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -modules. The degree with respect to \underline{x} defines an increasing filtration $\mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta]_\bullet$ by finite $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -modules on $\mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta]$ and hence

$$G_0^{k,l} := \mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta]_k \Big/ \left(\mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta]_k \cap \sum_{i=0}^n (\partial_{x_i}(f) - \theta \partial_{x_i})(\mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta]_l) \right)$$

are finite $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -modules. For $k \gg 0$ and $l \gg 0$, $G_0^{k,l} = G_0$ by the finiteness of G_0 . But, a priori, there is no bound for these indices.

By Gröbner basis methods, one can compute cyclic generators $\underline{\phi}$ of a t -invariant $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -sublattice $G_0^{k,l} \subset G_0$. By an argument of A. Khovanskii and A. Varchenko [11], $G_0^{k,l} = G_0$ if and only if the mean values of the spectra coincide. By the t -invariance of $G_0^{k,l}$, one can compute the spectrum of $G_0^{k,l}$ like that of G_0 below. The mean value of the spectrum of G_0 is known to be $\frac{n+1}{2}$. So if the mean value of the spectrum of $G_0^{k,l}$ is not $\frac{n+1}{2}$ then one has to increase k . This process terminates with $G_0^{k,l} = G_0$.

Then one can compute A^ϕ for the $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -basis $\underline{\phi}$ of G_0 . By a saturation process, one can compute the V -filtration and, by a Gröbner basis computation, the spectrum of G_0 and the Hodge filtration. Then one can compute a $\mathbb{C}[\tau, \theta]$ -basis of G which is compatible with the V -filtration refined by an opposite Hodge filtration. In terms of this basis, one can compute a good basis of G_0 by a simultaneous normal form computation and basis transformation.

We denote rows vectors \underline{v} by a lower bar and column vectors \bar{v} by an upper bar. In general, lower indices are column indices and upper indices are row indices. We denote by $\{M\}$ the set and by $\langle M \rangle R$ the R -linear span of the columns of a matrix M . We denote by lead the leading term and by lexp the leading exponent with respect to a monomial ordering. We denote by E the unit matrix and by \bar{e}_i the i th unit vector.

1 Gauss–Manin system

Let $f : \mathbb{C}^{n+1} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}$ with $n \geq 1$ be a polynomial function. Let \mathcal{O} be the sheaf of regular functions and (Ω^\bullet, d) the complex of polynomial differential forms on

\mathbb{C}^{n+1} . Then the Gauss–Manin System $f_+\mathcal{O}$ of f is represented by the complex of left $\mathbb{C}[t]\langle\partial_t\rangle$ -modules

$$(\Omega^{\bullet+n+1}[\partial_t], d - \partial_t df)$$

[5, 15] and has regular holonomic cohomology [14, VII.12.2]. The coefficients of the differentials are the differentials of the complexes (Ω^\bullet, d) and (Ω^\bullet, df) .

Lemma 1 (Poincaré Lemma) *The complex of \mathbb{C} -vector spaces*

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathbb{C} \longrightarrow (\Omega^\bullet, d) \longrightarrow 0$$

is exact [15, Ex. 16.15].

From now on, we assume that set of critical points $C(f)$ of f is finite. Then the following lemma holds.

Lemma 2 (De Rham Lemma)

- (1) $H^k(\Omega^\bullet, df) = 0$ for $k \neq n + 1$.
- (2) $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} H^{n+1}(\Omega^\bullet, df) < \infty$.

Proof. If $C(f)$ is finite then

$$\mathbb{C}[\underline{x}]/\langle\partial(f)\rangle \cong \Omega^{n+1}/df \wedge \Omega^{n-1} = H^{n+1}(\Omega^\bullet, df)$$

is a finite \mathbb{C} -vector space and hence $\partial(f)$ is a regular sequence in $\mathbb{C}[\underline{x}]$. Then the cohomology of the Koszul complex (Ω^\bullet, df) is concentrated in dimension $n + 1$ [15, Cor. 17.5].

The image M_0 of Ω^{n+1} in $M := H^0(f_+\mathcal{O})$ is the key for an algorithmic approach to the Gauss–Manin system. It determines the differential structure of M and it can be identified with a quotient of $\mathbb{C}[\underline{x}]$.

Proposition 3

- (1) $H^k(f_+\mathcal{O}) = 0$ for $k \notin \{-n, 0\}$.
- (2) ∂_t is invertible on M .
- (3) $M_0 = \Omega^{n+1}/df \wedge d\Omega^{n-1}$.

Proof. This follows from Lemma 1 and 2 and [5, 15.2.2].

The Fourier transform \widehat{M} of M is the left $\mathbb{C}[\tau]\langle\partial_\tau\rangle$ -module defined by the isomorphism

$$\tau := \partial_t, \quad \partial_\tau := -t$$

of $\mathbb{C}[\tau]\langle\partial_\tau\rangle$ and $\mathbb{C}[t]\langle\partial_t\rangle$ [16, 2.1]. By Proposition 3, M is a $\mathbb{C}[\theta]\langle\partial_\theta\rangle$ -module with

$$\theta := \tau^{-1}, \quad \partial_\theta := -\tau^2 \partial_\tau$$

and M_0 is a $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -submodule. Note that $t = \theta^2 \partial_\theta$.

Definition 4 *Let G be the $\mathbb{C}[\theta]\langle\partial_\theta\rangle$ -module \widehat{M} . Then the Brieskorn lattice G_0 of f is the $\mathbb{C}[\theta]\langle t \rangle$ -submodule M_0 of G .*

Since M is regular at ∞ , G is singular at most in $\{0, \infty\}$ where $0 := \{\tau = 0\}$ is regular and $\infty := \{\theta = 0\}$ of type 1 [17, V.2.a].

From now on, we assume that f is cohomologically tame. By definition [1, 8], this means that there is a compactification

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{C}^{n+1} & \xhookrightarrow{j} & \overline{\mathbb{C}^{n+1}} \\ & \searrow f & \downarrow \overline{f} \\ & & \mathbb{C} \end{array}$$

where $\overline{\mathbb{C}^{n+1}}$ is quasi-projective and \overline{f} is proper such that, for all $t \in \mathbb{C}$, the support of the vanishing cycle complex $\phi_{\overline{f}-t} \mathbf{R} j_* \mathbb{Q}$ is a finite subset of \mathbb{C}^{n+1} . In particular, $C(f)$ is finite and hence, by Lemma 2, the Milnor number

$$\mu := \dim_{\mathbb{C}} H^{n+1}(\Omega^\bullet, df) = \dim_{\mathbb{C}} (\Omega^{n+1} / df \wedge \Omega^n)$$

of f is finite. Then the following theorem holds.

Theorem 5 (C. Sabbah [1, 10.1–3]) *G_0 is a free $\mathbb{C}[t]$ - and $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -module of rank μ .*

In particular, G is a free $\mathbb{C}[\tau, \theta]$ -module of rank μ .

2 Brieskorn lattice

A finite $\mathbb{C}[\tau]$ - resp. $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -submodule $L \subset G$ such that $L[\theta] = G$ resp. $L[\tau] = G$ is called a $\mathbb{C}[\tau]$ - resp. $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -lattice. By Theorem 5, a lattice is free of rank μ . In terms of a $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -basis of G_0 , the $\mathbb{C}[\theta]\langle\partial_\theta\rangle$ -module structure of G is determined by the basis representation of t on G_0 . The following lemma shows that the latter is determined by a matrix with coefficients in $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$.

Definition 6 Let $\underline{\phi}$ be a basis of a t -invariant $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -sublattice $L \subset G$. Then the matrix $A^\phi \in \mathbb{C}[\theta]^{\mu \times \mu}$ of t with respect to $\underline{\phi}$ is defined by

$$\underline{\phi} A^\phi := t \underline{\phi}.$$

Lemma 7 Let $\underline{\phi}$ be a basis of a t -invariant $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -sublattice $L \subset G$. Then

$$t \circ \underline{\phi} = \underline{\phi} \circ (A^\phi + \theta^2 \partial_\theta).$$

Proof. Since $t = \theta^2 \partial_\theta$,

$$\begin{aligned} t \circ \underline{\phi} \left(\sum_k \bar{p}_k \theta^k \right) &= t \sum_k \underline{\phi} \bar{p}_k \theta^k \\ &= \sum_k t(\underline{\phi} \bar{p}_k) \theta^k + \underline{\phi} \bar{p}_k \theta^2 \partial_\theta \theta^k \\ &= \underline{\phi} \circ (A^\phi + \theta^2 \partial_\theta) \left(\sum_k \bar{p}_k \theta^k \right) \end{aligned}$$

and hence $t \circ \underline{\phi} = \underline{\phi} \circ (A^\phi + \theta^2 \partial_\theta)$.

The following lemma gives a presentation of the $\mathbb{C}[\theta]\langle t \rangle$ -module G_0 . This presentation shall be used to compute t on G_0 .

Lemma 8 There is an isomorphism of $\mathbb{C}[\theta]\langle t \rangle$ -modules

$$G_0 = \Omega^{n+1}[\theta] / (df - \theta d)(\Omega^n[\theta]).$$

Proof. By Theorem 5,

$$G = \Omega^{n+1}[\tau, \theta] / (df - \theta d)(\Omega^n[\tau, \theta]).$$

By definition, G_0 is the image of $\Omega^{n+1}[\theta]$ in G and hence

$$G_0 = \Omega^{n+1}[\theta] / \left((df - \theta d)(\Omega^n[\tau, \theta]) \cap \Omega^{n+1}[\theta] \right).$$

By Lemma 2, $d \ker(df) \subset df \wedge d\Omega^{n-1} \subset \ker(df)$ and hence

$$(df - \theta d)(\Omega^n[\tau, \theta]) \cap \Omega^{n+1}[\theta] = (df - \theta d)(\Omega^n[\theta]).$$

Let $\underline{x} = x_0, \dots, x_n$ be coordinates on \mathbb{C}^{n+1} with corresponding partial derivatives $\underline{\partial} = \partial_{x_0}, \dots, \partial_{x_n}$. Let

$$t := f + \theta^2 \partial_\theta \in \mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta]\langle \partial_\theta \rangle.$$

Then, by Lemma 8, we can identify

$$G = \mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \tau, \theta] / (\partial(f) - \theta \partial)(\mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \tau, \theta]^{n+1})$$

as $\mathbb{C}[\tau, \theta]\langle t \rangle$ -modules and

$$G_0 = \mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta] / (\partial(f) - \theta \partial)(\mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta]^{n+1})$$

as $\mathbb{C}[\theta]\langle t \rangle$ -modules. These modules are quotients of non-finite $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -modules. On the numerator and denominator, the degree with respect to \underline{x} defines an increasing filtration by finite $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -modules. The following algorithm computes t on G_0 by an approximation process with respect to these filtrations.

Definition 9 *The degree $\deg_{\underline{x}}$ with respect to \underline{x} defines an increasing filtration $\mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta]_{\bullet}$ on $\mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta]$ by finite $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -modules*

$$\mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta]_k := \{p \in \mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta] \mid \deg_{\underline{x}}(p) \leq k\}$$

such that $t\mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta]_{\bullet} \subset \mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta]_{\bullet + \deg(f)}$. We define the finite $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -modules

$$\begin{aligned} G_0^k &:= \mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta]_k / ((\partial(f) - \partial\theta)(\mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta]^{n+1}) \cap \mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta]_k), \\ G_0^{k,l} &:= \mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta]_k / ((\partial(f) - \partial\theta)(\mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta]_l^{n+1}) \cap \mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta]_k). \end{aligned}$$

Algorithm 1

Input: (a) A cohomologically tame polynomial $f \in \mathbb{C}[\underline{x}]$.

(b) An integer $k \geq 0$.

Output: (a) A vector $\underline{\phi} \in \mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta]^\mu$ such that $[\underline{\phi}]$ is a basis of a t -invariant $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -lattice $L_k \subset G_0$ and $L_k = G_0$ for $k \gg 0$.

(b) The matrix $A = A^{[\underline{\phi}]} \in \mathbb{C}[\theta]^{\mu \times \mu}$.

(1) Set $l := k$.

(2) Set $l := l + 1$.

(3) Compute a reduced Gröbner basis

$$\underline{g} := \text{GB}\left((\partial(f) - \partial\theta)(\underline{x}^{\underline{\alpha}} \bar{e}_i) \mid (\underline{\alpha}, i) \in \mathbb{N}^{n+1} \times [0, n], |\underline{\alpha}| \leq l\right)$$

of $(\partial(f) - \partial\theta)(\mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta]_l^{n+1})$ with respect to a monomial ordering $>$ on $\{\underline{x}^{\underline{\alpha}} \theta^i \mid (\underline{\alpha}, i) \in \mathbb{N}^{n+1} \times \mathbb{N}\}$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} |\underline{\alpha}| > |\underline{\beta}| &\Rightarrow \underline{\alpha} > \underline{\beta}, \\ (\underline{\alpha}, i) > (\underline{\beta}, j) &\Leftrightarrow \underline{\alpha} > \underline{\beta} \vee (\underline{\alpha} = \underline{\beta} \wedge i > j) \end{aligned}$$

for all $(\underline{\alpha}, i), (\underline{\beta}, j) \in \mathbb{N}^{n+1} \times \mathbb{N}$.

(4) Find the minimal k_0 with

$$k_0 < |\underline{\alpha}| \leq k \Rightarrow \underline{x}^{\underline{\alpha}} \in \langle \text{lead}(\underline{g}) \rangle \mathbb{C}[\theta].$$

(5) Compute $\underline{\phi} \in \mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta]_{k_0}^\gamma$ such that $[\underline{\phi}]$ are cyclic generators of

$$G_0^{k_0, l} = \mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta]_{k_0} / \langle g_i \mid \deg_{\underline{x}}(g_i) \leq k_0 \rangle \mathbb{C}[\theta] \cong G_0^{k, l}$$

and $\rho := \text{rk}(G_0^{k_0, l})$ using [18, 2.6.3].

(6) If $\rho > \mu$ or $\gamma > \rho = \mu$ then go to (2).

(7) If $\rho < \mu$ then set $k := k + 1$ and go to (2).

(8) If $k_0 + \deg(f) > k$ then set $k := k + 1$ and go to (2).

(9) If $[\underline{\phi}]$ is not a \mathbb{C} -basis of $\mathbb{C}[\underline{x}] / \langle \underline{\partial}(f) \rangle \mathbb{C}[\underline{x}]$ then set $k := k + 1$ and go to (2).

(10) Compute a normal form $\text{NF}(t\underline{\phi}, \underline{g})$ of $t\underline{\phi}$ with respect to \underline{g} .

(11) Compute the basis representation $A \in \mathbb{C}[\theta]^{\mu \times \mu}$ of $[\text{NF}(t\underline{\phi}, \underline{g})]$ with respect to the $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -basis $[\underline{\phi}]$ of $L_k := G_0^{k_0, l}$.

(12) Return $\underline{\phi}$ and A .

Lemma 10 *Algorithm 1 terminates and is correct.*

Proof. Since $\underline{\partial}(f) - \underline{\partial}\theta$ is $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -linear,

$$\begin{aligned} (\underline{\partial}(f) - \underline{\partial}\theta)(\mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta]_l^{n+1}) = \\ \langle (\underline{\partial}(f) - \underline{\partial}\theta)(\underline{x}^{\underline{\alpha}} \bar{e}_i) \mid (\underline{\alpha}, i) \in \mathbb{N}^{n+1} \times [0, n], |\underline{\alpha}| \leq l \rangle \mathbb{C}[\theta]. \end{aligned}$$

By definition of the monomial ordering,

$$(\underline{\partial}(f) - \underline{\partial}\theta)(\mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta]_l^{n+1}) \cap \mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta]_k = \langle g_i \mid \deg_{\underline{x}}(g_i) \leq k \rangle \mathbb{C}[\theta]$$

and hence, by definition of k_0 ,

$$\begin{aligned} G_0^{k, l} &= \mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta]_k / \langle g_i \mid \deg_{\underline{x}}(g_i) \leq k \rangle \mathbb{C}[\theta] \\ &\cong \mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta]_{k_0} / \langle g_i \mid \deg_{\underline{x}}(g_i) \leq k_0 \rangle \mathbb{C}[\theta] = G_0^{k_0, l}. \end{aligned}$$

Because of step (2), l is strictly increasing for fixed k . There are $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -linear maps

$$G_0^{k, l} \xrightarrow{\pi_{k, l}} G_0^{k, l} \xrightarrow{\iota_k} G_0$$

where ι_k is an isomorphism for $k \gg 0$ and $\pi_{k, l}$ is an isomorphism for fixed k and $l \gg 0$. By Theorem 5, G_0^k is a free $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -module of rank at most μ . Hence, if condition (6) holds then $\pi_{k, l}$ is not an isomorphism and if condition (7) holds then ι_k is not an isomorphism.

By Theorem 5, there is a $\underline{\psi} \in \mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta]^\mu$ such that $[\underline{\psi}]$ is a $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -basis of G_0 . In particular, ι^k is an isomorphism for $k \geq \deg_{\underline{x}}(\underline{\psi})$ and hence

$$\iota^k \circ \pi^{k, l} : G_0^{k, l} \xrightarrow{\quad} G_0$$

is an isomorphism and conditions (6) and (7) do not hold for $k \geq \deg_{\underline{x}}(\underline{\psi})$ and $l \gg 0$. By Lemma 8, for each $\underline{\alpha} \in \mathbb{N}^{n+1}$, there is a matrix $M^{\underline{\alpha}} \in \mathbb{C}[\theta]^{\mu \times \mu}$ such that

$$\underline{x}^{\underline{\alpha}} - \underline{\psi} M^{\underline{\alpha}} \in (\underline{\partial}(f) - \underline{\partial}\theta)(\mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta]^{n+1}).$$

If $|\underline{\alpha}| > \deg_{\underline{x}}(\underline{\psi})$ then $\underline{x}^{\underline{\alpha}} - \underline{\psi} M^{\underline{\alpha}} \in (\underline{\partial}(f) - \underline{\partial}\theta)(\mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta]_l^n) \cap \mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta]_{|\underline{\alpha}|}$ and hence

$$\underline{x}^{\underline{\alpha}} \in \text{lead}((\underline{\partial}(f) - \underline{\partial}\theta)(\mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta]_l^{n+1})) = \langle \text{lead}(\underline{g}) \rangle \mathbb{C}[\theta]$$

for $l \gg 0$. Hence, by definition of k_0 , $k_0 \leq \deg_{\underline{x}}(\underline{\psi})$ for $k > \deg_{\underline{x}}(\underline{\psi})$ and $l \gg 0$ and, in particular, condition (8) does not hold for $k \geq \deg_{\underline{x}}(\underline{\psi}) + \deg(f)$ and $l \gg 0$. Since $[\underline{\psi}]$ is a $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -basis of G_0 , $[\underline{\psi}]$ is a \mathbb{C} -basis of

$$G_0/\theta G_0 = \mathbb{C}[\underline{x}]/\langle \underline{\partial}(f) \rangle \mathbb{C}[\underline{x}]$$

and hence condition (9) does not hold for $k \geq \deg_{\underline{x}}(\underline{\psi})$ and $l \gg 0$. This proves that the algorithm terminates.

Since $[\underline{\phi}]$ is a \mathbb{C} -basis of $\mathbb{C}[\underline{x}]/\langle \underline{\partial}(f) \rangle \mathbb{C}[\underline{x}] = G_0/\theta G_0$, $\iota^k \circ \pi^{k,l}$ is injective and $[\underline{\phi}]$ is a basis of the $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -lattice $L_k = G_0^{k_0,l} \subset G_0$. Since $\underline{\phi} \in \mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta]_{k_0}^{\mu}$ and $k_0 + \deg(f) \leq k$, $t\underline{\phi} \in \mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta]_k^{\mu}$ and hence, by definition of k_0 , $\text{NF}(t\underline{\phi}, \underline{g}) \in \mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta]_{k_0}^{\mu}$. By Lemma 8,

$$t[\underline{\phi}] = [t\underline{\phi}] = [\text{NF}(t\underline{\phi}, \underline{g})] = [\underline{\phi}A] = [\underline{\phi}]A$$

and hence L_k is t -invariant and $A = A^{[\underline{\phi}]}$. This proves that the algorithm is correct.

A priori, we do not know a k_0 such that $L_k = G_0$ for all $k \geq k_0$. We shall solve this problem by a criterion on the spectrum with respect to the V -filtration.

3 V -filtration

Definition 11 *The V -filtration V_{\bullet} on $\mathbb{C}[\tau]\langle \partial_{\tau} \rangle$ is the increasing filtration by $V_0\mathbb{C}[\tau]\langle \partial_{\tau} \rangle$ -modules*

$$\begin{aligned} V_{-k}\mathbb{C}[\tau]\langle \partial_{\tau} \rangle &:= \tau^k \mathbb{C}[\tau]\langle \tau \partial_{\tau} \rangle, \\ V_{k+1}\mathbb{C}[\tau]\langle \partial_{\tau} \rangle &:= V_k\mathbb{C}[\tau]\langle \partial_{\tau} \rangle + \partial_{\tau} V_k\mathbb{C}[\tau]\langle \partial_{\tau} \rangle \end{aligned}$$

for all $k \geq 0$.

Proposition 12 *There is a unique $V_{\bullet}\mathbb{C}[\tau]\langle \partial_{\tau} \rangle$ -good filtration V_{\bullet} on G by $\mathbb{C}[\tau]$ -lattices such that $\tau \partial_{\tau} + \alpha$ is nilpotent on $\text{gr}_{\alpha}^V G$ for all α .*

Proof. Since G is regular at 0, this follows from [19, 2.3.2, 4.1, 5.1.5].

Definition 13 $V_\bullet G$ is called the V -filtration on G .

The following criterion shall be used to compute the V -filtration on G .

Lemma 14 Let $L \subset G$ be a $\tau\partial_\tau$ -invariant $\mathbb{C}[\tau]$ -lattice with

$$\text{spec}(-\tau\partial_\tau \in \text{End}(L/\tau L)) \subset [\alpha, \alpha - 1)$$

for some α . Then $L = V_\alpha G$.

Proof. Let $\text{spec}(-\tau\partial_\tau \in \text{End}(L/\tau L)) = \{\underline{\alpha}\}$ with

$$\alpha \geq \alpha_1 > \cdots > \alpha_\nu > \alpha - 1$$

Let $\phi : L/\tau L \longrightarrow L$ be a $\mathbb{C}[\tau]$ -basis of L and

$$C_{\alpha_i} := \phi(\ker((\tau\partial_\tau + \alpha_i)^\mu \in \text{End}(L/\tau L)))$$

for all $i \in [1, \nu]$. Let

$$U_{\alpha_j-p} := \tau^p \bigoplus_{i=j}^{\nu} C_{\alpha_i} \oplus \tau^{p+1} L$$

for all $i \in [1, \nu]$ and $p \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then U_\bullet is an increasing filtration on G by $\tau\partial_\tau$ -invariant $\mathbb{C}[\tau]$ -lattices. By construction, $\tau\partial_\tau + \alpha_i - p$ is nilpotent on $\text{gr}_{\alpha_i-p}^U G$ and $U_{\alpha_i-p} = \tau^p U_{\alpha_i}$ for all $i \in [1, \nu]$ and $p \in \mathbb{Z}$. Since

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_\tau U_{\alpha_j-p} &= \tau^{p-1}(\tau\partial_\tau + p - 1) \bigoplus_{i=j}^{\nu} C_{\alpha_i} \oplus \tau^p(\tau\partial_\tau + p)L \\ &\subset \tau^{p-1}(\tau\partial_\tau + p - 1) \bigoplus_{i=j}^{\nu} C_{\alpha_i} \oplus \tau^p(\tau\partial_\tau + p) \bigoplus_{i=1}^{j-1} C_{\alpha_i} + U_{\alpha_j-p}, \\ U_{\alpha_j-p+1} &= \tau^{p-1} \bigoplus_{i=j}^{\nu} C_{\alpha_i} \oplus \tau^p \bigoplus_{i=1}^{j-1} C_{\alpha_i} \oplus \tau^{p+1} L \\ &\subset \tau^{p-1} \bigoplus_{i=j}^{\nu} C_{\alpha_i} \oplus \tau^p \bigoplus_{i=1}^{j-1} C_{\alpha_i} + U_{\alpha_j-p}, \end{aligned}$$

$\partial_\tau U_{\alpha_j-p} + U_{\alpha_j-p} = U_{\alpha_j-p+1}$ for $p > \alpha_j + 1$ and hence U_\bullet is $V_\bullet \mathbb{C}[\tau]\langle\partial_\tau\rangle$ -good. Then, by Proposition 12, $U_\bullet G = V_\bullet G$ and hence $L = V_\alpha G$.

The following algorithm computes the V -filtration using the criterion in Lemma 14. For a given $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -lattice with $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -basis $\underline{\phi}$, $L := \langle \underline{\phi} \rangle \mathbb{C}[\tau]$ is a $\mathbb{C}[\tau]$ -lattice with $\mathbb{C}[\tau]$ -basis $\underline{\phi}$ and $-\tau\partial_\tau \underline{\phi} = \underline{\phi} B$ where $B = \tau A^\flat \in \mathbb{C}[\tau, \theta]^{\mu \times \mu}$. By a saturation process of L with respect to $\tau\partial_\tau$, L is replaced by a $\tau\partial_\tau$ -invariant

$\mathbb{C}[\tau]$ -lattice and $\underline{\phi}$ is modified such that $B \in \mathbb{C}[\tau]^{\mu \times \mu}$. Then a sequence of basis transformations modifies $\underline{\phi}$ such that $\text{spec}(B_0) \subset [\alpha, \alpha - 1)$ for some α .

Algorithm 2

Input: The matrix $A = A^\phi \in \mathbb{C}[\theta]^{\mu \times \mu}$ for a basis $\underline{\phi}$ of a t -invariant $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -lattice $L \subset G$.

Output: (a) A matrix $U \in \mathbb{C}[\theta]^{\mu \times \mu}$ such that $\underline{\phi}U$ is a $\mathbb{C}[\tau]$ -basis of V_α for some α .

- (b) A matrix $B = \sum_{i \geq 0} B_i \tau^i \in \mathbb{C}[\tau]^{\mu \times \mu}$ such that $-\tau \partial_\tau(\underline{\phi}U) = \underline{\phi}UB$ and $\text{spec}(B_0) = \{\underline{\alpha}\}$ with $\alpha \geq \alpha_1 > \dots > \alpha_\nu > \alpha - 1$.
- (1) (a) Set $k := 0$ and $U_0 := E \in \mathbb{C}^{\mu \times \mu}$.
- (b) Until $\{(\tau A - \tau \partial_\tau)(U_k)\} \subset \langle U_k \rangle \mathbb{C}[\tau]$ do:
- (i) Set $k := k + 1$.
- (ii) Compute $U_k \in \mathbb{C}[\theta]^{\mu \times \mu}$ with $\deg(U_k) \leq k(\deg(A) - 1)$ such that

$$\langle U_{k+1} \rangle \mathbb{C}[\tau] = \langle U_k \rangle \mathbb{C}[\tau] + \langle (\tau A - \tau \partial_\tau)(U_k) \rangle \mathbb{C}[\tau].$$

- (c) Set $U := U_k$.
- (2) (a) Set $B = \sum_{i \geq 0} B_i \tau^i := U^{-1}(\tau A - \tau \partial_\tau)(U) \in \mathbb{C}[\tau]^{\mu \times \mu}$.
- (b) Compute $\{\underline{\alpha}\} := \text{spec}(B_0)$ and $j \in [1, \nu]$ such that

$$\alpha_1 > \dots > \alpha_j > \alpha_1 - 1 \geq \alpha_{j+1} > \dots > \alpha_\nu.$$

- (c) If $j = \nu$ then return U and B .
- (d) Compute $U_0 \in \text{GL}_\mu(\mathbb{C})$ such that

$$U_0^{-1} B U_0 = \begin{pmatrix} B^{1,1} & B^{1,2} \\ B^{2,1} & B^{2,2} \end{pmatrix}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \text{spec}(B_0^{1,1}) &= \{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_j\}, \\ \text{spec}(B_0^{2,2}) &= \{\alpha_{j+1}, \dots, \alpha_\nu\}, \end{aligned}$$

$$B_0^{1,2} = 0, \text{ and } B_0^{2,1} = 0.$$

- (e) Set $U = \begin{pmatrix} U_1 & U_2 \end{pmatrix} := U U_0$ and

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} B^{1,1} & B^{1,2} \\ B^{2,1} & B^{2,2} \end{pmatrix} := U_0^{-1} B U_0.$$

(f) Set $U := \begin{pmatrix} U_1 & \tau^{-1}U_2 \end{pmatrix}$ and

$$B := \begin{pmatrix} B^{1,1} & \tau^{-1}B^{1,2} \\ \tau B^{2,1} & B^{2,2} + E \end{pmatrix}.$$

(g) Set $\alpha_i := \alpha_i + 1$ for $i = j + 1, \dots, \nu$.

(h) Reorder $\underline{\alpha}$ and redefine $j \in [1, \nu]$ such that

$$\alpha_1 > \dots > \alpha_j > \alpha_1 - 1 \geq \alpha_{j+1} > \dots > \alpha_\nu.$$

(i) Go to (2c).

Remark 15

(1) If $A = A_0 + \theta A_1$ then $U_k = U_0 = E$.

(2) If

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} B^{1,1} & B^{1,2} \\ 0 & B^{2,2} \end{pmatrix}$$

with $\text{spec}(B_0^{1,1}) = \{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_j\}$ and $\text{spec}(B_0^{2,2}) = \{\alpha_{j+1}, \dots, \alpha_\nu\}$ then one can choose

$$U_0 = \begin{pmatrix} E & U_0^{1,2} \\ 0 & E \end{pmatrix}.$$

Lemma 16 *Algorithm 2 terminates and is correct.*

Proof.

(1) By Lemma 7,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \underline{\phi} U_{k+1} \rangle \mathbb{C}[\tau] &= \langle \underline{\phi} U_k \rangle \mathbb{C}[\tau] + \langle \underline{\phi} \circ (\tau A - \tau \partial_\tau)(U_k) \rangle \mathbb{C}[\tau] \\ &= \langle \underline{\phi} U_k \rangle \mathbb{C}[\tau] + \tau \langle \underline{\phi} \circ (A + \theta^2 \partial_\theta)(U_k) \rangle \mathbb{C}[\tau] \\ &= \langle \underline{\phi} U_k \rangle \mathbb{C}[\tau] + \tau \partial_\tau \langle \underline{\phi} U_k \rangle \mathbb{C}[\tau] \end{aligned}$$

and hence $\{\langle \underline{\phi} U_k \rangle \mathbb{C}[\tau]\}_{k \geq 0}$ is an increasing sequence of finite $\mathbb{C}[\tau]$ -modules. Since $\langle \underline{\phi} U_0 \rangle \mathbb{C}[\tau] = \mathbb{C}[\tau]^\mu$, one can choose $U_k \in \mathbb{C}[\theta]^{\mu \times \mu}$. The V -filtration on G consists of finite and hence Noetherian $\tau \partial_\tau$ -invariant $\mathbb{C}[\tau]$ -modules. For some α , $\{\underline{\phi}\} \subset V_\alpha G$ and hence $\langle \underline{\phi} U_k \rangle \mathbb{C}[\tau] \subset V_\alpha$ for all $k \geq 0$. This implies that the sequence $\{\langle U_k \rangle \mathbb{C}[\tau]\}_{k \geq 0}$ is stationary. Then $\langle \underline{\phi} U \rangle \mathbb{C}[\tau] \subset G$ is a $\tau \partial_\tau$ -invariant $\mathbb{C}[\tau]$ -lattice.

(2) By Lemma 7, $-\tau \partial_\tau \circ \underline{\phi} = \tau t \circ \underline{\phi} = \underline{\phi} \circ (\tau A - \tau \partial_\tau)$ and hence

$$-\tau \partial_\tau \circ \underline{\phi} U = \underline{\phi} U \circ (B - \tau \partial_\tau).$$

The $\tau\partial_\tau$ -invariance of the $\mathbb{C}[\tau]$ -lattice $\langle \underline{\phi}U \rangle \mathbb{C}[\tau]$ is preserved since

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} U_1 & \tau^{-1}U_2 \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} U_1 & U_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} E & \\ & \tau^{-1}E \end{pmatrix}, \\ \begin{pmatrix} B^{1,1} & \tau^{-1}B^{1,2}, \\ \tau B^{2,1} & B^{2,2} + E \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} E & \\ & \tau E \end{pmatrix} \left(\begin{pmatrix} B^{1,1} & B^{1,2} \\ B^{2,1} & B^{2,2} \end{pmatrix} - \tau\partial_\tau \right) \begin{pmatrix} E & \\ & \tau^{-1}E \end{pmatrix}, \end{aligned}$$

and $B^{1,2}\tau^{-1} \in \mathbb{C}[\tau]^{j \times (\mu-j)}$. The index j is strictly increasing since

$$\begin{aligned} \text{spec}(B_0) &= \text{spec} \begin{pmatrix} B_0^{1,1} - E & \tau^{-1}B_0^{1,2} \\ 0 & B_0^{2,2} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_j, \alpha_{j+1} + 1, \dots, \alpha_\nu + 1\} \end{aligned}$$

and hence the algorithm terminates. Then $L := \langle \underline{\phi}U \rangle \mathbb{C}[\tau] \subset G$ is a $\tau\partial_\tau$ -invariant $\mathbb{C}[\tau]$ -lattice with $\text{spec}(-\tau\partial_\tau \in \text{End}(L/\tau L)) \subset [\alpha, \alpha - 1)$ for $\alpha := \alpha_1$. Hence, by Lemma 14, $L = V_\alpha$ and $\underline{\phi}U$ is a $\mathbb{C}[\tau]$ -basis of $V_\alpha G$.

4 Spectrum

The spectrum with respect to the V -filtration shall be used to check equality of $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -lattices.

Definition 17

- (1) The spectrum $\text{spec}(F_\bullet) : \mathbb{Q} \longrightarrow \mathbb{N}$ of an increasing filtration F_\bullet on a finite vector space V is defined by

$$\text{spec}(F_\bullet)(\alpha) := \dim(\text{gr}_\alpha^{F_\bullet} V)$$

for all $\alpha \in \mathbb{Q}$. The spectrum $\text{spec}(F^\bullet)$ of a decreasing filtration F^\bullet on V is defined analogously.

- (2) The spectrum of a $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -lattice $L \subset G$ is defined by

$$\text{spec}(L) := \text{spec}(V_\bullet(L/\theta L)).$$

- (3) The spectrum of f is defined by

$$\text{spec}(f) := \text{spec}(G_0).$$

The following algorithm computes the spectrum of a t -invariant $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -lattice by computing a Gröbner basis compatible with the V -filtration.

Algorithm 3

Input: (a) A matrix $B = \sum_{i \geq 0} B_i \tau^i \in \mathbb{C}[\tau]^{\mu \times \mu}$ such that $-\tau \partial_\tau \underline{\phi} = \underline{\phi} B$ for a $\mathbb{C}[\tau]$ -basis $\underline{\phi}$ of V_α and $\text{spec}(B_0) = \{\underline{\alpha}\}$ with $\alpha \geq \alpha_1 > \dots > \alpha_\nu > \alpha - 1$.

(b) A matrix $M \in \mathbb{C}[\tau, \theta]^{\mu \times \mu}$ such that $\underline{\phi} M$ is a basis of a t -invariant $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -lattice $L \subset G$.

Output: The spectrum $\sigma = \text{spec}(L) \in \mathbb{Q}^\mathbb{N}$.

(1) Compute $U_0 \in \text{GL}_\mu(\mathbb{C})$ such that

$$U_0^{-1} B_0 U_0 = \begin{pmatrix} B_0^1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & B_0^\nu \end{pmatrix}$$

where $B_0^i \in \mathbb{C}^{\mu_i \times \mu_i}$ with $\text{spec}(B_0^i) = \{\alpha_i\}$ for $i \in [1, \nu]$.

(2) Set $\underline{\phi} = (\underline{\phi}^i)_{i \in [1, \nu]} := \underline{\phi} U_0$ and $M := U_0^{-1} M$.

(3) Compute a minimal Gröbner basis

$$M := \text{GB}(M) \in \mathbb{C}[\theta]^{\mu \times \mu}$$

compatible with the ordering $>$ on $\{\theta^k \underline{\phi}^i \mid (k, i) \in \mathbb{Z} \times [1, \nu]\}$ defined by

$$(k, i) > (l, j) :\Leftrightarrow k > l \vee (k = l \wedge i > j)$$

for all $(k, i), (l, j) \in \mathbb{Z} \times [1, \nu]$.

(4) Return $\sigma \in \mathbb{Q}^\mathbb{N}$ with

$$\sigma(k + \alpha_i) := \#(\{\text{lead}(M)\}_{(k, i)})$$

for all $(k, i) \in \mathbb{Z} \times [1, \nu]$.

Lemma 18 *Algorithm 3 terminates and is correct.*

Proof. Since $-\tau \partial_\tau \underline{\phi} = \underline{\phi} B$,

$$-\tau \partial_\tau (\theta^l \underline{\phi}^j) \equiv \theta^q \underline{\phi}^j (B_0^j + q) \pmod{\bigoplus_{(k, i) \leq (l, j)} \langle \theta^k \underline{\phi}^i \rangle \mathbb{C}}$$

with $\text{spec}(B_0^j + l) = \{\alpha_j + l\}$. Then, by Lemma 14,

$$V_{\alpha_j + l} G = \bigoplus_{(i, k) \leq (j, l)} \theta^k \langle \underline{\phi}^i \rangle \mathbb{C}$$

and hence, since M is a minimal Gröbner basis,

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{spec}(L)(\alpha_j + l) &= \dim_{\mathbb{C}} \text{gr}_{\alpha+l}^V(L/\theta L) \\
&= \dim_{\mathbb{C}} \left((\text{gr}^V L / \theta \text{gr}^V L)_{\alpha_j+l} \right) \\
&= \dim_{\mathbb{C}} \left(\langle \text{lead}(M) \rangle \mathbb{C}[\theta] / \theta \langle \text{lead}(M) \rangle \mathbb{C}[\theta]_{(q,j)} \right) \\
&= \dim_{\mathbb{C}} \left((\langle \text{lead}(M) \rangle \mathbb{C})_{(l,j)} \right) \\
&= \# \left(\{ \text{lead}(M) \}_{(l,j)} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

for all $(l, j) \in \mathbb{Z} \times [1, \nu]$.

The following lemma reduces the problem of equality of $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -lattices to the problem of equality of filtrations on a finite vector space.

Definition 19 *A $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -lattice $L \subset G$ defines an increasing filtration L_{\bullet} on G by $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -lattices $L_p := \tau^p L$ and a corresponding decreasing filtration $L^{\bullet} := L_{n-\bullet}$. We denote the filtrations defined by G_0 by G_{\bullet} and G^{\bullet} .*

Lemma 20 *Let $L \subset G$ be a $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -lattice. Then*

$$\text{gr}_L^{n-p} \text{gr}_{\alpha}^V G \xrightarrow[\tau^p]{\theta^p} \text{gr}_{\alpha+p}^V \text{gr}_L^n G = \text{gr}_{\alpha+p}^V(L/\theta L)$$

is an isomorphism for all $\alpha \in \mathbb{Q}$ and $p \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Proof. This follows from $\theta^p V_{\alpha} G = V_{\alpha+p} G$ and $L^{n-p} = \tau^p L$ for all $\alpha \in \mathbb{Q}$ and $p \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Definition 21 *The sum $\sum : \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{Q}} \longrightarrow \mathbb{Q}$ is defined by*

$$\sum \sigma := \sum_{\alpha \in \mathbb{Q}} \alpha \sigma(\alpha)$$

for all $\sigma \in \mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{Q}}$.

The following lemma gives a criterion on the mean value of the spectrum to check equality of filtrations on a finite vector space.

Lemma 22 *Let F_1^{\bullet} and F_2^{\bullet} be decreasing filtrations on a finite vector space V with $F_2^{\bullet} \subset F_1^{\bullet}$. Then $\sum \text{spec}(F_2^{\bullet}) \leq \sum \text{spec}(F_1^{\bullet})$ and equality implies that $F_2^{\bullet} = F_1^{\bullet}$.*

Proof. This is an elementary fact from linear algebra.

The following criterion on the mean value of the spectrum shall be used to check equality of $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -lattices.

Lemma 23 *Let $L_2 \subset L_1 \subset G$ be $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -lattices. Then $\sum \text{spec}(L_1) \leq \sum \text{spec}(L_2)$ and equality implies that $L_1 = L_2$.*

Proof. Since $L_2 \subset L_1$,

$$L_2^\bullet \text{gr}_{[0,1)}^V G \subset L_1^\bullet \text{gr}_{[0,1)}^V G$$

where $\text{gr}_{[0,1)}^V G = \bigoplus_{0 \leq \alpha < 1} \text{gr}_\alpha^V G$ and hence, by Lemma 22,

$$\sum \text{spec}(L_2^\bullet \text{gr}_{[0,1)}^V G) \leq \sum \text{spec}(L_1^\bullet \text{gr}_{[0,1)}^V G).$$

By Lemma 20, $\text{spec}(L_i)(\alpha + p) = \text{spec}(L_i^\bullet \text{gr}_\alpha^V G)(n - p)$ and hence

$$\begin{aligned} \sum \text{spec}(L_i) &= \sum_{0 \leq \alpha < 1} \sum_{p \in \mathbb{Z}} (\alpha + n - p) \text{spec}(L_i^\bullet \text{gr}_\alpha^V G)(p) \\ &= n\mu + \sum_{0 \leq \alpha < 1} \alpha \dim_{\mathbb{C}}(\text{gr}_\alpha^V G) - \sum \text{spec}(L_i^\bullet \text{gr}_\alpha^V G) \\ &= n\mu + \sum_{0 \leq \alpha < 1} \alpha \dim_{\mathbb{C}}(\text{gr}_\alpha^V G) - \sum \text{spec}(L_i^\bullet \text{gr}_{[0,1)}^V G) \end{aligned}$$

for $i = 1, 2$. This implies that

$$\sum \text{spec}(L_2) - \sum \text{spec}(L_1) = \sum \text{spec}(L_1^\bullet \text{gr}_{[0,1)}^V G) - \sum \text{spec}(L_2^\bullet \text{gr}_{[0,1)}^V G).$$

Let $x \in (L_1 \setminus L_2) \cap (V_{\alpha+p} G \setminus V_{<\alpha+p} G)$ with $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ and minimal $\alpha + p$. Then, in particular, $x \notin \theta L_1$ and hence, by Lemma 20, $0 \neq [\tau^p x] \in \text{gr}_{L_1}^{n-p} \text{gr}_\alpha^V G$. Moreover, there is a $q \geq 1$ such that $\theta^q x \in L_2 \setminus \theta L_2$ and, again by Lemma 20, $0 \neq [\tau^p x] \in \text{gr}_{L_2}^{n-p-q} \text{gr}_\alpha^V G$. This implies that $L_2^{n-p} \text{gr}_\alpha^V G \subsetneq L_1^{n-p} \text{gr}_\alpha^V G$ and hence

$$L_2^\bullet \text{gr}_{[0,1)}^V G \subsetneq L_1^\bullet \text{gr}_{[0,1)}^V G.$$

Then the claim follows from Lemma 22.

The following theorem gives the mean value of the spectrum of G_0 .

Theorem 24 (C. Sabbah [1, 11.1]) $\frac{1}{\mu} \sum \text{spec}(G_0) = \frac{n+1}{2}$.

By Theorem 24, one can compute t on G_0 using Algorithm 1, 2, and 3 by increasing k until $\frac{1}{\mu} \sum \text{spec}(L_k) = \frac{n+1}{2}$.

Our final goal is to compute a good basis of G_0 . In terms of a good basis of G_0 , the matrix of t has degree one and its degree one part determines the spectrum of f .

Definition 25 Let $\underline{\phi}$ be a $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -basis of a t -invariant $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -lattice $L \subset G$. Then $\underline{\phi}$ is called *good* if $A^\phi = A_0^\phi + \theta A_1^\phi$ where $A_0^\phi, A_1^\phi \in \mathbb{C}^{\mu \times \mu}$,

$$A_1^\phi = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \alpha_\mu \end{pmatrix}$$

and $\phi_i \in V_{\alpha_i} L$ for all $i \in [1, \mu]$.

Lemma 26 Let $\underline{\phi}$ be a good basis of a t -invariant $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -lattice $L \subset G$ and

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \alpha_\mu \end{pmatrix} := A_1^\phi.$$

Then $\text{spec}(L)(\alpha) = \#\{i \in [1, \mu] \mid \alpha_i = \alpha\}$.

Proof. Since $\underline{\phi}$ is a $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -basis of L and $\phi_i \in V_{\alpha_i}$ for all $i \in [1, \mu]$, $([\phi_i])_{\alpha_i=\alpha}$ is a \mathbb{C} -basis of $\text{gr}_\alpha^V(L/\theta L)$ and hence $\text{spec}(L)(\alpha) = \#\{i \in [1, \mu] \mid \alpha_i = \alpha\}$.

5 Monodromy

Let T_∞ be the monodromy of M around the discriminant $D(f) = f(C(f))$ of f and \hat{T}_0 be the monodromy of G at 0.

Theorem 27 (C. Sabbah [16, 1.10]) $T_\infty = \hat{T}_0^{-1}$.

Using Theorem 27, the monodromy T_∞ can be read off from the matrix of t with respect to a good basis.

Proposition 28 Let $\underline{\phi}$ be a good basis of a $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -lattice $L \subset G$ and

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \alpha_\mu \end{pmatrix} := A_1^\phi.$$

Then

$$\exp\left(-2\pi i \left(\text{gr}_1^V(A_0^\phi) + A_1^\phi\right)\right)$$

is a matrix of T_∞ where

$$(V_\alpha(C))_{i,j} := \begin{cases} c_{i,j} & \text{if } \alpha_i \geq \alpha_j + \alpha, \\ 0 & \text{else,} \end{cases}$$

for $C = (c_{i,j})_{i,j} \in \mathbb{C}^{\mu \times \mu}$.

Proof. Since $\underline{\phi}$ is a $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -basis of L and $\phi_i \in V_{\alpha_1}$ for all $i \in [1, \mu]$, $([\phi_i])_{\alpha_i=\alpha}$ is a \mathbb{C} -basis of $\text{gr}_\alpha^V(L/\theta L)$ and hence, by Lemma 20,

$$-\tau \partial_\tau = \partial_t t : \text{gr}_L^p \text{gr}_\alpha^V G \xrightarrow{\alpha \oplus N} \text{gr}_L^p \text{gr}_\alpha^V G \oplus \text{gr}_L^{p-1} \text{gr}_\alpha^V G$$

for all $\alpha \in \mathbb{Q}$ and $p \in \mathbb{Z}$ where θN is induced by

$$\text{gr}_1^V \text{gr}_L^0 t = \text{gr}_1^V (\underline{\phi} \circ A_0^\phi \circ \underline{\phi}^{-1}) = \underline{\phi} \circ \text{gr}_1^V (A_0^\phi) \circ \underline{\phi}^{-1}.$$

Then, by [19, 6.0.1], $\exp(2\pi i (\text{gr}_1^V (A_0^\phi) + A_1^\phi))$ is a matrix of \widehat{T}_0 and hence, by Theorem 27, $\exp(-2\pi i (\text{gr}_1^V (A_0^\phi) + A_1^\phi))$ is a matrix of T_∞ .

6 Good lattices

The following property is sufficient for the existence of a good basis of a $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -lattice [1, 5.2]. Recall that a morphism $N : F_1^\bullet V_1 \longrightarrow F_2^\bullet V_2$ of filtered vector spaces $F_i^\bullet V_i$ for $i = 1, 2$ is called strict if $N(V_1) \cap F_2^p = N(F_2^p)$ for all $p \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Definition 29 *We call a t -invariant $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -lattice $L \subset G$ good if*

$$(\tau \partial_\tau + \alpha)^p : L^\bullet \text{gr}_\alpha^V G \longrightarrow L^{\bullet-p} \text{gr}_\alpha^V G$$

is strict for all $\alpha \in \mathbb{Q}$ and $p \geq 1$.

The following theorem follows from the fact that

$$N := \bigoplus_{0 \leq \alpha < 1} (\tau \partial_\tau + \alpha)$$

is a morphism of a natural mixed Hodge structure on the moderate nearby cycles $\psi_\tau^{\text{mod}} G = \bigoplus_{0 \leq \alpha < 1} \text{gr}_\alpha^V G$ with Hodge filtration induced by G_\bullet as defined in Definition 19 [1, 13.1].

Theorem 30 (C. Sabbah [1, 13.3]) *G_0 is a good $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -lattice.*

The following lemma shall be used to construct an opposite filtration of L^\bullet on $\text{gr}^V G$ for a good lattice L .

Lemma 31 *Let V be a finite vector space, F^\bullet a decreasing filtration on V with $F^p = 0$ for $p > m$, and $N \in \text{End}(V)$ such that*

$$N^p : F^\bullet V \longrightarrow F^{\bullet-p} V$$

strict for all $p \geq 1$. Then $\sum_{q \geq 0} N^q(F^m) = \bigoplus_{q \geq 0} N^q(F^m)$ and

$$N^p : F^\bullet \left(V / \sum_{q \geq 0} N^q(F^m) \right) \longrightarrow F^{\bullet-p} \left(V / \sum_{q \geq 0} N^q(F^m) \right)$$

is strict for all $p \geq 1$.

Proof. If $x \in F^m$ with $N^{p+1}(x) \in \sum_{q=0}^p N^q(F^m) \subset F^{m-p}$ then

$$N^{p+1}(x) \in N^{p+1}(F^{m+1}) = 0$$

since N^{p+1} is strict and $F^{m+1} = 0$. Hence,

$$N^{p+1}(F^m) + \sum_{q=0}^p N^q(F^m) = N^{p+1}(F^m) \oplus \sum_{q=0}^p N^q(F^m)$$

and, by induction, $\sum_{q \geq 0} N^q(F^m) = \bigoplus_{q \geq 0} N^q(F^m)$.

Let $N^p(x) \in F^q + \sum_{r \geq 0} N^r(z_r)$ with $z_r \in F^m$ for all $r \geq 0$. If $m - p < q$ then $N^p(x - \sum_{r > p} N^{r-p}(z_r)) \in F^{m-p+1}$ and hence

$$N^p(x) \in N^p(F^{m+1}) + \sum_{r > p} N^r(F^m) \subset N^p(F^{q+p}) + \sum_{r \geq 0} N^r(F^m)$$

since N^p is strict and $F^{m+1} = 0$. If $m - p \geq q$ then $N^p(x - \sum_{r > p} N^{r-p}(z_r)) \in F^q$ and hence $N^p(x) \in N^p(F^{q+p}) + \sum_{r \geq 0} N^r(F^m)$ since N^p is strict. This implies that N^p is strict modulo $\sum_{r \geq 0} N^r(F^m)$ for all $p \geq 1$.

The following algorithm computes a $\mathbb{C}[\tau, \theta]$ -basis of G compatible with the V -filtration refined by an opposite filtration of L^\bullet on $\text{gr}^V G$ for a good lattice L . This basis shall be used to compute a good basis of L .

Algorithm 4

Input: (a) A matrix $B = \sum_{i \geq 0} B_i \tau^i \in \mathbb{C}[\tau]^{\mu \times \mu}$ such that $-\tau \partial_\tau \underline{\phi} = \underline{\phi} B$ for a $\mathbb{C}[\tau]$ -basis $\underline{\phi}$ of V_α and $\text{spec}(B_0) = \{\underline{\alpha}\}$ with $\alpha \geq \alpha_1 > \dots > \alpha_\nu > \alpha - 1$.

(b) A matrix $M \in \mathbb{C}[\tau, \theta]^{\mu \times \mu}$ such that $\underline{\phi}M$ is a basis of a good $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -lattice $L \subset G$.

Output: A matrix $U = (U^{i,p})_{(i,p) \in [1, \nu] \times \mathbb{Z}} \in \text{GL}_\mu(\mathbb{C})$ such that $(\phi U^{i,q})_{q \geq p}$ is a \mathbb{C} -basis of $L^p \text{gr}_{\alpha_i}^V G$ and $\{(\theta \partial_\theta - \alpha_i)(\underline{\phi} U^{i,p})\} \subset \{\underline{\phi} U^{i,p-1}\} + V_{\alpha-1}$ for all $(i,p) \in [1, \nu] \times \mathbb{Z}$.

(1) Compute $U_0 \in \text{GL}_\mu(\mathbb{C})$ such that

$$U_0^{-1} B_0 U_0 = \begin{pmatrix} B_0^1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & B_0^\nu \end{pmatrix}$$

where $B_0^i \in \mathbb{C}^{\mu_i \times \mu_i}$ with $\text{spec}(B_0^i) = \{\alpha_i\}$ for $i \in [1, \nu]$.

(2) Set $\underline{\phi} = (\underline{\phi}^i)_{i \in [1, \nu]} := \underline{\phi} U_0$ and $M := U_0^{-1} M$.

(3) Compute a Gröbner basis

$$M := \text{GB}(M) \in \mathbb{C}[\theta]^{\mu \times \mu}$$

compatible with the ordering $>$ on $\{\theta^p \underline{\phi}^i \mid (p,i) \in \mathbb{Z} \times [1, \nu]\}$ defined by

$$(p,i) > (q,j) :\Leftrightarrow p > q \vee (p = q \wedge i > j)$$

for all $(p,i), (q,j) \in \mathbb{Z} \times [1, \nu]$.

(4) Set $(M^{p,i})_{(p,i) \in \mathbb{Z} \times [1, \nu]} := M$ where

$$\{\text{lexp}(M^{p,i})\} = \{(p,i)\}$$

for all $(p,i) \in \mathbb{Z} \times [1, \nu]$.

(5) For $i = 1, \dots, r$ do:

(a) Compute $(F^{i,p})_{p \in \mathbb{Z}} \in \mathbb{C}^{\mu_i \times \mu_i}$ such that

$$F^{i,p} := (\tau^q \text{lead}(M^{q,i}))_{q \leq n-p}.$$

(b) Set $N_i := B_0^i - \alpha_i$.

(c) Compute $U^i = (U^{i,p})_{p \in \mathbb{Z}} \in \mathbb{C}^{\mu_i \times \mu_i}$ such that

$$\langle F^{i,p} \rangle \mathbb{C} = \langle U^{i,q} \mid q \leq p \rangle \mathbb{C}, \quad \{N_i U^{i,p}\} \subset \{U^{i,p-1}\}$$

for all $p \in \mathbb{Z}$.

(6) Return

$$U = (U^{i,p})_{(i,p) \in [1, \nu] \times \mathbb{Z}} := U^0 \begin{pmatrix} U^1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & U^\nu \end{pmatrix}.$$

Lemma 32 Algorithm 4 terminates and is correct.

Proof. Since $-\tau\partial_\tau\phi = \phi B$,

$$-\tau\partial_\tau(\theta^q\phi^j) \equiv \theta^q\phi^j(B_0^j + q) \pmod{V_{q+\alpha-1}}$$

with $\text{spec}(B_0^j + q) = \{\alpha_j + q\}$ and hence, by Lemma 14,

$$V_{\alpha_j+q}G = \bigoplus_{(p,i) \leq (q,j)} \theta^p\langle\phi^i\rangle\mathbb{C}$$

for all $(q, j) \in \mathbb{Z} \times [1, \nu]$. Since M is a Gröbner basis, this implies that $\phi M^{q,j} \in V_{\alpha_j+q}L$ for all $(q, j) \in \mathbb{Z} \times [1, \nu]$. Then, by Lemma 20,

$$L^\bullet \text{gr}_{\alpha_i}^V G = \left(\langle \phi^i F^{i,\bullet} \rangle \mathbb{C} + V_{\alpha_i} \right) / V_{<\alpha_i} \subset \text{gr}_{\alpha_i}^V G$$

and, since L is good and $(\theta\partial_\theta - \alpha_i)\phi^i \equiv \phi^i N_i \pmod{V_{\alpha-1}}$,

$$N_i^p : \langle F^{i,\bullet} \rangle \mathbb{C} \longrightarrow \langle F^{i,\bullet-p} \rangle \mathbb{C}$$

is strict for all $i \in [1, \nu]$ and $p \geq 1$. Hence, by Lemma 31, one can compute $U^i = (U^{i,p})_{p \in \mathbb{Z}} \in \mathbb{C}^{\mu_i \times \mu_i}$ such that

$$\langle F^{i,p} \rangle \mathbb{C} = \langle U^{i,q} \mid q \geq p \rangle \mathbb{C}, \quad \{N_i U^{i,p}\} \subset \{U^{i,p-1}\}$$

for all $(i, p) \in [1, \nu] \times \mathbb{Z}$. Then

$$(\theta\partial_\theta - \alpha_i)(\phi U^{i,p}) \equiv \phi^i N_i U^{i,p} \pmod{V_{\alpha-1}}$$

and hence $\{(\theta\partial_\theta - \alpha_i)(\phi U^{i,p})\} \subset \{\phi U^{i,p-1}\} + V_{\alpha-1}$ for all $(i, p) \in [1, \nu] \times \mathbb{Z}$.

7 Good bases

The following algorithm computes a good basis of a good lattice L by a simultaneous normal form computation and basis transformation. The computation requires a $\mathbb{C}[\tau, \theta]$ -basis of G compatible with the V -filtration refined by an opposite filtration of L^\bullet on $\text{gr}^V G$.

Algorithm 5

- Input:* (a) A matrix $B \in \mathbb{C}[\tau]^{\mu \times \mu}$ with $\text{spec}(B_0) = \{\underline{\alpha}\}$ and $\alpha \geq \alpha_1 > \dots > \alpha_\nu > \alpha - 1$ such that $-\tau\partial_\tau\phi = \phi B$ for a $\mathbb{C}[\tau]$ -basis ϕ of V_α
 (b) A matrix $M \in \mathbb{C}[\tau, \theta]^{\mu \times \mu}$ such that ϕM is a basis of a good $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -lattice $L \subset G$.
 (c) An indexing $\phi = (\phi^{i,p})_{(i,p) \in [1,\nu] \times \mathbb{Z}}$ such that $(\phi^{i,q})_{q \geq p}$ is a \mathbb{C} -basis of $L^p \text{gr}_{\alpha_i}^V G$ and $\{(\theta\partial_\theta - \alpha_i)(\phi^{i,p})\} \subset \{\phi^{i,p-1}\} + V_{<\alpha_i}$ for all $(i, p) \in [1, \nu] \times \mathbb{Z}$.

Output: A matrix $M \in \mathbb{C}[\tau, \theta]^{\mu \times \mu}$ such that $\underline{\phi}M$ is a good basis of L .

(1) Compute a minimal Gröbner basis

$$M := \text{GB}(M) \in \mathbb{C}[\theta]^{\mu \times \mu}$$

compatible with the ordering $>$ on $\{\theta^k \underline{\phi}^{i,p} \mid (k, i, p) \in \mathbb{Z} \times [1, \nu] \times \mathbb{Z}\}$ defined by

$$(k, i, p) > (l, j, q) :\Leftrightarrow k > l \vee (k = l \wedge (i > j \vee (i = j \wedge p > q)))$$

for all $(k, i, p), (l, j, q) \in \mathbb{Z} \times [1, \nu] \times \mathbb{Z}$.

(2) Set $(M^{k,i})_{(k,i) \in \mathbb{Z} \times [1, \nu]} := M$ where

$$\{\text{lexp}(M^{k,i})\} = \{(k, i, n - k)\}$$

for all $(k, i) \in \mathbb{Z} \times [1, \nu]$.

(3) Compute $(A_{s,l,j}^{k,i})_{(s,j,l) \in \mathbb{Z} \times [1, \nu] \times \mathbb{Z}}$ and

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_{s,l,j}^{k,i} &:= \theta(B - (\alpha_i + k) + \theta \partial_\theta) M^{k,i} - M^{1+k,i} A_{0,1+k,i}^{k,i} \\ &\quad - \sum_{\substack{(l',j') < (1+k,i) \\ (s+l,j,n-l) < (l',j',n-l')}} M^{l',j'} A_{0,l',j'}^{k,i} - \theta^s M^{l,j} A_{s,l,j}^{k,i} \end{aligned}$$

such that $\text{lexp}(\Phi_{s,l,j}^{k,i}) < (s + l, j, n - l)$ for all $(k, i) \in \mathbb{Z} \times [1, \nu]$ for decreasing $(s + l, j, n - l)$ until $\Phi_{s,l,j}^{k,i} = 0$ or $A_{s,l,j}^{k,i} \neq 0$ and $s \geq 1$.

(4) If $\Phi_{s,l,j}^{k,i} = 0$ then return $M := (M^{k,i})_{(k,i) \in \mathbb{Z} \times [1, \nu]}$.

(5) Choose $(k, i) \in \mathbb{Z} \times [1, \nu]$ and $(s, j, l) \in \mathbb{Z} \times [1, \nu] \times \mathbb{Z}$ with $A_{s,l,j}^{k,i} \neq 0$ and $s \geq 1$ such that $(s + l, j, n - l)$ is maximal.

(6) Set $c_{s,l,j}^{k,i} := (1 + k + \alpha_i - s - l - \alpha_j)^{-1}$ and

$$M^{k,i} := M^{k,i} + c_{s,l,j}^{k,i} \theta^{s-1} M^{l,j} A_{s,l,j}^{k,i}$$

(7) Go to (3).

Lemma 33 Algorithm 5 terminates and is correct.

Proof. By Lemma 14,

$$V_{\alpha_j+q}G = \bigoplus_{(p,i) \leq (q,j)} \theta^p \langle \underline{\phi}^i \rangle \mathbb{C}$$

for all $(q, j) \in \mathbb{Z} \times [1, \nu]$. Let $0 \neq \overline{m} \in \langle M \rangle \mathbb{C}[\theta]$ with $\text{lexp}(\overline{m}) = (k, i, p)$. Then

$$\tau^k \underline{\phi} \overline{m} \in \langle \underline{\phi}^{i,q} \mid q \leq p \rangle \mathbb{C} + V_{<\alpha_i} G$$

and, since $\underline{\phi} \overline{m} \in \langle \underline{\phi} M \rangle \mathbb{C}[\theta] = L$ and $L^{n-k} \text{gr}_{\alpha_i}^V G = \langle \underline{\phi}^{i,q} \mid q \geq n - k \rangle \mathbb{C}$,

$$\tau^k \underline{\phi} \overline{m} \in \langle \underline{\phi}^{i,q} \mid q \geq n - k \rangle \mathbb{C} + V_{<\alpha_i} G.$$

In particular, $p \geq n - k$. Moreover, $\tau^k \underline{\phi} \text{lead}(\overline{m}) \in \text{gr}_L^p \text{gr}_{\alpha_i}^V G$ and hence, by Lemma 20,

$$\theta^{n-p-k} \underline{\phi} \text{lead}(\overline{m}) \in \text{gr}_L \text{gr}^V L = \langle \underline{\phi} \text{lead}(M) \rangle \mathbb{C}[\theta].$$

In particular, if $p > n - k$ then $\text{lead}(\overline{m}) \in \theta \langle \text{lead}(M) \rangle \mathbb{C}[\theta]$. Since M is a minimal Gröbner basis, this implies that

$$\{\text{lexp}(M^{k,i})\} = \{(k, i, n - k)\}, \quad M^{k,i} \equiv \text{lead}(M^{k,i}) \pmod{\text{terms} < (k, i)}$$

for all $(k, i) \in \mathbb{Z} \times [1, \nu]$. In particular, $\{\underline{\phi} M^{k,i}\} \subset V_{k+\alpha_i}$ for all $(k, i) \in \mathbb{Z} \times [1, \nu]$.

By Lemma 7, $t \circ \underline{\phi} = \theta(-\tau \partial_\tau) \circ \underline{\phi} = \underline{\phi} \circ \theta(B + \theta \partial_\theta)$. Since

$$\{\theta(\theta \partial_\theta - (k + \alpha_i))(\theta^k \underline{\phi}^{i, n-k})\} \subset \{\theta^{1+k} \underline{\phi}^{i, n-(1+k)}\} \pmod{V_{<1+k+\alpha_i}},$$

there is a matrix $A_{0,1+k,i}^{i,k}$ such that

$$\theta(B - (k + \alpha_i) + \theta \partial_\theta) M^{k,i} \equiv M^{1+k,i} A_{0,1+k,i}^{i,k} \pmod{\text{terms} < (1+k, i)}$$

and hence there are matrices $A_{s,l,j}^{i,k}$ such that

$$\theta(B - (k + \alpha_i) + \theta \partial_\theta) M^{k,i} - M^{1+k,i} A_{0,1+k,i}^{i,k} = \sum_{(s'+l',j') < (1+k,i)} \theta^{s'} M^{l',j'} A_{s',l',j'}^{k,i}$$

for all $(k, i) \in \mathbb{Z} \times [1, \nu]$. Choose $(k, i) \in \mathbb{Z} \times [1, \nu]$ and $(s, j, l) \in \mathbb{Z} \times [1, \nu] \times \mathbb{Z}$ such that $(s + l, j, n - l)$ is maximal with $A_{s,l,j}^{k,i} \neq 0$ and $s \geq 1$. In particular, $(s + l, j) < (1 + k, i)$ and hence $1 + k + \alpha_i - s - l - \alpha_j > 0$ and $c_{s,l,j}^{k,i} > 0$ is defined. Moreover, since

$$\{(\theta \partial_\theta - (\alpha_j + l))(\theta^l \underline{\phi}^{j, n-l})\} \subset \{\theta^l \underline{\phi}^{j, n-(1+l)}\} \pmod{V_{<\alpha_j+l}},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_{s,l,j}^{k,i} &= \theta(B - (k + \alpha_i) + \theta \partial_\theta) \left(M^{k,i} - c_{s,l,j}^{k,i} \theta^{s-1} M^{l,j} A_{s,l,j}^{k,i} \right) \\ &\quad - M^{1+k,i} A_{0,1+k,i}^{i,k} - \sum_{\substack{(l',j') < (1+k,i) \\ (s+l,j,n-l) < (l',j',n-l')}} M^{l',j'} A_{0,l',j'}^{k,i} \\ &\equiv \theta^s M^{l,j} A_{s,l,j}^{k,i} + c_{s,l,j}^{k,i} \theta(\theta \partial_\theta - k - \alpha_i) \theta^{s-1} M^{l,j} A_{s,l,j}^{k,i} \\ &\equiv \theta^s M^{l,j} A_{s,l,j}^{k,i} + c_{s,l,j}^{k,i} \theta^s (\theta \partial_\theta + s - 1 - k - \alpha_i) M^{l,j} A_{s,l,j}^{k,i} \\ &\equiv \theta^s M^{l,j} A_{s,l,j}^{k,i} + c_{s,l,j}^{k,i} \theta^s (s + l + \alpha_j - 1 - k - \alpha_i) M^{l,j} A_{s,l,j}^{k,i} \\ &\equiv 0 \pmod{\text{terms} < (s + l, j, n - l)} \end{aligned}$$

and hence $(s + l, j, n - l)$ is strictly decreasing until $\Phi_{s,l,j}^{k,i} = 0$. Then the algorithm terminates and $\underline{\phi} M = (\underline{\phi} M^{k,i})_{(k,i) \in \mathbb{Z} \times [1, \nu]}$ is a $\mathbb{C}[\theta]$ -basis of L with

$$t(\underline{\phi} M^{k,i}) = \underline{\phi} M^{1+k,i} A_{0,1+k,i}^{i,k} + \sum_{(l',j') < (1+k,i)} \underline{\phi} M^{l',j'} A_{0,l',j'}^{k,i} + \theta(k + \alpha_i) \underline{\phi} M^{k,i}$$

and $\{\underline{\phi}M^{k,i}\} \subset V_{k+\alpha_i}$ for all $(k,i) \in \mathbb{Z} \times [1,\nu]$. Hence, $\underline{\phi}M$ is a good basis of L .

The following algorithm combines Algorithms 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 to compute a good basis of G_0 .

Algorithm 6

Input: A cohomologically tame polynomial $f \in \mathbb{C}[\underline{x}]$.

Output: (a) A vector $\underline{\phi} \in \mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta]^\mu$ such that $[\underline{\phi}]$ is a good basis of G_0 .

(b) The matrix $A = A^{[\underline{\phi}]} \in \mathbb{C}[\theta]^{\mu \times \mu}$ of t with respect to $[\underline{\phi}]$.

- (1) Set $k := \deg(f)$.
- (2) Compute $\underline{\phi} \in \mathbb{C}[\underline{x}, \theta]^\mu$ and $A \in \mathbb{C}[\theta]^{\mu \times \mu}$ by Algorithm 1.
- (3) Compute $\bar{U} \in \mathbb{C}[\theta]^{\mu \times \mu}$ and $B \in \mathbb{C}[\tau]^{\mu \times \mu}$ by Algorithm 2.
- (4) Set $\underline{\phi} := \bar{\phi}U$, $B := U^{-1}(B - \tau\partial_\tau)U \in \mathbb{C}[\tau]^\mu$, and $M := U^{-1} \in \mathbb{C}[\tau, \theta]^\mu$.
- (5) Compute σ by Algorithm 3.
- (6) If $\frac{1}{\mu} \sum \sigma > \frac{n+1}{2}$ then set $k := k + 1$ and go to (2).
- (7) Compute $U = (U^{i,p})_{(i,p) \in [1,\nu] \times \mathbb{Z}} \in \text{GL}_\mu(\mathbb{C})$ by Algorithm 4.
- (8) Set $\underline{\phi} := (\bar{\phi}U^{i,p})_{(i,p) \in [1,\nu] \times \mathbb{Z}}$, $B := U^{-1}(B - \tau\partial_\tau)U \in \mathbb{C}[\tau]^{\mu \times \mu}$, and $M := U^{-1}M$.
- (9) Compute $M \in \mathbb{C}[\tau, \theta]^{\mu \times \mu}$ by Algorithm 5.
- (10) Set $\underline{\phi} := \bar{\phi}M$ and $A := M^{-1}\theta(B - \tau\partial_\tau)M \in \mathbb{C}[\theta]^{\mu \times \mu}$.
- (11) Return $\underline{\phi}$ and A .

Proposition 34 *Algorithm 6 terminates and is correct.*

Proof. Let $L_k \subset G_0$ be computed by Algorithm 1. Then $L_k = G_0$ for $k \gg 0$ and k is strictly increasing while $\frac{1}{\mu} \sum \sigma > \frac{n+1}{2}$. By Lemma 23 and Theorem 24, $L = G_0$ if and only if $\frac{1}{\mu} \sum \sigma = \frac{1}{\mu} \sum \text{spec}(L) = \frac{1}{\mu} \sum \text{spec}(G_0) = \frac{n+1}{2}$. This implies that $L_k = G_0$ after finitely many steps. By Theorem 30, $L := L_k = G_0$ is a good lattice as required by algorithms 4 and 5. Hence, the algorithm terminates and is correct.

Remark 35 *In the local situation, one can replace the algorithms [8, 7.4–5] by the algorithms 4 and 5 to avoid the linear algebra computation [8, 7.4]. This modified algorithm is implemented in the SINGULAR [20] library `gmssing.lib` [21].*

8 Examples

Algorithm 6 is implemented in the SINGULAR [20] library `gmspoly.lib` [22]. Using this implementation, we compute a good basis $\underline{\phi}$ of G_0 for several examples. By Lemma 26, the diagonal of A_1^ϕ determines the spectrum of f . Using Proposition 28, we read off the monodromy T_∞ around the discriminant of f from A^ϕ . First, we compute two convenient and Newton non-degenerate examples [10].

Example 36 *Let $f = x^2 + y^2 + x^2y^2$. Then SINGULAR computes*

$$\underline{\phi} = \left(1, xy, y, x, x^2 + \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

and

$$A^{\underline{\phi}} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{4} \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} + \theta \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{3}{2} \end{pmatrix}.$$

The monodromy T_∞ has a 2×2 Jordan block with eigenvalue -1 .

Example 37 *Let $f = x + y + z + x^2y^2z^2$. Then SINGULAR computes*

$$\underline{\phi} = \left(1, \theta^2x - 3\theta x^2 + x^3, \frac{5}{2}x, 10\theta^2x^2 - \frac{25}{2}\theta x^3 + \frac{5}{2}x^4, -\frac{25}{4}\theta x + \frac{25}{4}x^2\right)$$

and

$$A^{\underline{\phi}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{25}{8} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{125}{8} \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \theta \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{3}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{5}{2} \end{pmatrix}.$$

The monodromy T_∞ has a 2×2 Jordan block with eigenvalue 1 and a 3×3 Jordan block with eigenvalue -1 .

Finally, we compute a non-convenient and Newton degenerate but tame [23, 3] example.

Example 38 Let $f = x(x^2 + y^3)^2 + x$. Then SINGULAR computes

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{\phi} = & \left(1, 623645y, \frac{8645}{24}x, -2470(y^3 + x^2), \right. \\ & -11339(y^4 + x^2y), 475(2\theta y^3 - 5\theta x^2 + 6x^3), y^2, 3\theta^2 y^2 + 4y^5, \\ & 6670(\theta y^4 - 10\theta x^2 y + 6x^3 y), 8\theta^2 y^3 - 20\theta^2 x^2 - 15\theta x^3 + 18x^4 + 3, \\ & -4365515(35\theta^2 y^4 - 350\theta^2 x^2 y - 3000\theta x^3 y + 180x^4 y + 24y), \frac{623645}{6}xy, \\ & \left. -8645(\theta x + 2y^3 - 4x^2), -124729(5\theta xy + y^4 - 5x^2 y) \right) \end{aligned}$$

and $A^{[\phi]} = A_0^{[\phi]} + \theta A_1^{[\phi]}$ where

$$A_0^{[\phi]} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -380 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{32}{4675} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{96}{43225} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{-288}{216125} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{7}{180} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{11}{9} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{52}{75} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{728}{75} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{17}{75} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{187}{15} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{380}{3} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{4}{98175} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{24}{5} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{2016}{5} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{180} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{9} & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$A_1^{[\phi]} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{7}{15} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{2}{3} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{11}{15} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{13}{15} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{14}{15} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{16}{15} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{17}{15} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{19}{15} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{4}{3} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{23}{15} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{5}{3} \end{pmatrix}.$$

The monodromy T_∞ is unipotent with eigenvalues

$$\begin{aligned} & e^{-2\pi i \frac{1}{3}}, e^{-2\pi i \frac{7}{15}}, e^{-2\pi i \frac{2}{3}}, e^{-2\pi i \frac{11}{15}}, e^{-2\pi i \frac{13}{15}}, e^{-2\pi i \frac{14}{15}}, 1, \\ & 1, e^{-2\pi i \frac{16}{15}}, e^{-2\pi i \frac{17}{15}}, e^{-2\pi i \frac{19}{15}}, e^{-2\pi i \frac{4}{3}}, e^{-2\pi i \frac{23}{15}}, e^{-2\pi i \frac{5}{3}}. \end{aligned}$$

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